



Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities (MCPD) Regular Meeting Minutes June 8, 2018

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES (08 June 2018)

The City of Austin, Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities convened in a regular meeting on June 8, 2018 at the Board and Commission Room #1100 located inside City Hall at 201 W 2nd St in Austin, Texas.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair, Brian Owens called the June 8, 2018 meeting of the Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities to order at 5:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Brian Owens, Commissioners Rachael Gandy, Joey Gidseg, Chris Masey, Diane Kearns-Osterweil, Robin Orlowski, Danny Saenz and Deborah Trejo
Commissioners absent: Vice Chair Jonathan Franks, Commissioners Kevin Jackson and Sarah Webb

Staff in Attendance: David Ondich, ADA Program Manager

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Robin Orlowski made a motion to approve the Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities May 11, 2018 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Chris Masey and passed unanimously.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

There were two citizen communications during the June 8, 2018 MCPD Regular Meeting.

2A. Daniele Skidmour spoke about a need for Capital Metro to provide shaded stops.

2B. John Woodley spoke about difficulties that people who are deaf and hard-of-hearing to communicate emergencies with the 911 system.

To view all citizen communications and commissioners' comments in full, please visit: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06082018-669> and view Item 2

3. NEW BUSINESS:

3A. **Discussion and possible action:** MCPD formal recommendation regarding speed cushions with respective City Council Member- Full Committee. There was no additional discussion regarding speed cushions.

3B. **Discussion and action:** Prioritize and formalize budget recommendations – Full Committee Topics include: Parks programming, greater focus on disability in criminal justice training, i.e., Pathways to Justice, increasing employment opportunities for jobseekers with disabilities, low-income access to housing, Braille on Police Officer badges, increase in the number of adult bi-gender changing stations, continue funding of Sidewalk Master Plan.

Motion: Commissioner Diane Kearns-Osterweil made a motion to approve the above list of budget items from Commissioner Deborah Trejo to be included in the MCPD budget recommendation to be provided to the Joint

Inclusion Committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Joey Gidseg and passed unanimously. To view the commissioners: discussion on this item in full please visit: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06082018-669> and view item 3B

- 3C. **Discussion and action:** Discuss public transit access to new Central Library. Recommend The City recommend to Cap Metro changes in bus stop placement to improve access for people with disabilities- Full Committee. **Action:** Commissioner Trejo made a motion to reconsider the 3B motion on budget items, to have the language regarding Capital Metro amended to include a southbound bus stop by the new central library. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robin Orlowski. The motion passed unanimously. To view the commissioners: discussion on this item in full please visit: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06082018-669> and view item 3C
- 3D. **Discussion and action:** Consider recommendation that the City sponsor a proposed program that would provide students of Akins HS with internship opportunities to work with citizens with disabilities at MacBeth Recreation Center- Full Committee. Commissioner Trejo indicated that she would attempt to get more information to the committee regarding a proposed program that would provide students of Akins HS with internship opportunities to work with citizens with disabilities at Macbeth Recreation Center. To view the commissioners: discussion on this item in full please visit: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06082018-669> and view item 3D
- 3E. **Discussion and action:** Concern with Cap Metro removing service from St. David's Campus. Include Cap Metro route in MCPD recommendations to the Strategic Mobility Action Plan. **Action:** Commissioner Chris Masey made a motion for the MCPD to form a working group to study issues related to changes in the Capital Metro routes and schedules and provide input to the City's Strategic Mobility Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah Trejo. The motion passed unanimously. The working group will consist of Chair Brian Owens, and commissioners: Robin Orlowski and Joey Gidseg. To view the commissioners: discussion on this item in full please visit: <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06082018-669> and view item 3E

4. COMMISSIONER BRIEFING

- 4A. **Report:** Joint Inclusion Committee May 2018 Meeting- Commissioner Robin Orlowski. To view the entire report, please visit <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/060818-669> and view items 3D & 7
- 4B. **Report:** CodeNext has been directed to present draft plans to MCPD. CodeNext Staff should be requesting a spot on a future agenda item- Commissioner Deborah Trejo. To view this item, please visit <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/060818-669> and view items 3D & 7

5. STAFF BRIEFING

- 5A. **Report:** by David Ondich, ADA Program Manager, on the activities of the ADA Program Office, including Title I and Title II. There were no questions. To view David Ondich's comments on the report, please visit <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06082018-669> and view item 3D & 7

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 6A. MCPD Recommendation to support City proclamation for project RevUp voting initiative- Commissioner Danny Saenz To view Commissioners' comments on the proposed agenda item, please visit <http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06082018-669> and view item 3D & 7

- 7. ADJOURNMENT:** The June 8, 2018 meeting attended abruptly at 6:21pm due to an emergency. There was not a motion to adjourn.